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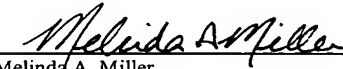
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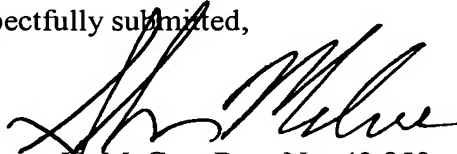
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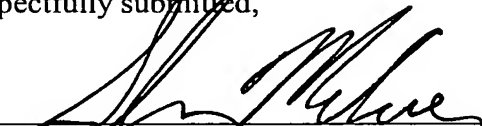
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Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's Notice of Allowance. Applicant believes that a clarification should be made in the Reasons for Allowance. In particular, claim 8, which includes the patentable feature of having indents in circumferential rows of increasingly smaller dimension is not limited to the patentable indented structure that is claimed in independent claim 1. Consequently, the Applicant requests that the Reasons for Allowance be corrected accordingly.

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